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Joint Robotics Program

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Introduction

Sun Tzu wrote first about the importance of logistics over two thousand years ago (Griffith, 1963, pp. 72, 74),¹ followed by Von Clausewitz 150 years ago—who again echoed the importance of logistics to overall mission success (Greene, 1943, pp. 136, 179)²; now, logistics is a *Defense Acquisition Workforce Improvement Act* functional area. Since Sun Tzu, much literature, many experiments, lessons learned, and the DoD's continual searching for better logistics answers have stressed the continued importance of getting the right things to the right place at the right time. Much like human transportation history evolution—beginning first with people walking or running from point a to point b, followed by thousands of years being transported by real “horse” power, then automobiles, airplanes, and rockets—logistics too has progressed over the years: focusing first on Mass-based Supply, then Just-in-Time Supply Chain Management, and now on Sense and Respond logistics.

The Robotic Systems Joint Project Office (RSJPO), an Army-Marine Corps effort that supplies various robots to the AORs of Iraq and Afghanistan, has also evolved through the three logistics methods. During each approach, many positive benefits were discovered. Along with those benefits, there were and are still today challenges to be confronted and overcome. The Robotics Program's experience and lessons learned since it began “real time” theater support in 2003 can aid all logistics programs by exemplifying the better ways to provide the best logistics with the knowledge, skills, and tools available today. All logistics functions, as shown by the Robotics Program, can be provided incredibly fast, quite inexpensively, and with superior quality and customer satisfaction.

Mass-based Inventory

For many long years, logistics relied on provisioning and sparing as the logical answer to supporting any weapons system. Numerous logisticians were trained in the art and science of sufficient inventory and spares, which would keep systems functioning for the fielded units anytime and anywhere. Budgets were predicated against these projected numbers. Many logisticians established careers tracking, analyzing, projecting, adjusting, and readjusting Mass-based Support for all weapons systems. This logistics approach did provide weapons system support that could function appropriately in the field (Van Creveld, 1977, pp. 206, 214). Warfighters (customers) were required to learn which spares were critical and in what numbers, while also trying not to have too much inventory of all the wrong things lying about taking up needed space and expending too much available budget. The robotics program first began by

¹ Sun Tzu gives the projected costs for supporting war efforts as well as stating logistics for his time equated to 60% of the total costs incurred.

² Von Clausewitz surmises total war requires everything relates, including logistics, to providing the soldier at the right place at the right time to be perfectly effective.



utilizing Mass Based logistics to support the initial fielding of 162 robots. Since the majority of suppliers were small businesses (in DoD parlance, “Mom & Pops”) and were finding it difficult to spare or keep up with production, the Program Manager declared that a portion of the total available robots would function as spares. Central Command (CENTCOM) controlled all robots as theater-provided equipment (TPE), rather than granting one of the Services total ownership. However, as the robots were fielded, Command found that the robots worked exceptionally well and replaced warfighters in critical danger missions. The Services would not release critical robotic assets and demanded many more robotic platforms be sent into the field. Very quickly, CENTCOM and the Project Manager realized Mass Based Logistics would not support well the customer’s demand. Another logistics approach was quickly required. What support program would allow the small businesses to produce, supply, and keep up with an ever-increasing field demand?

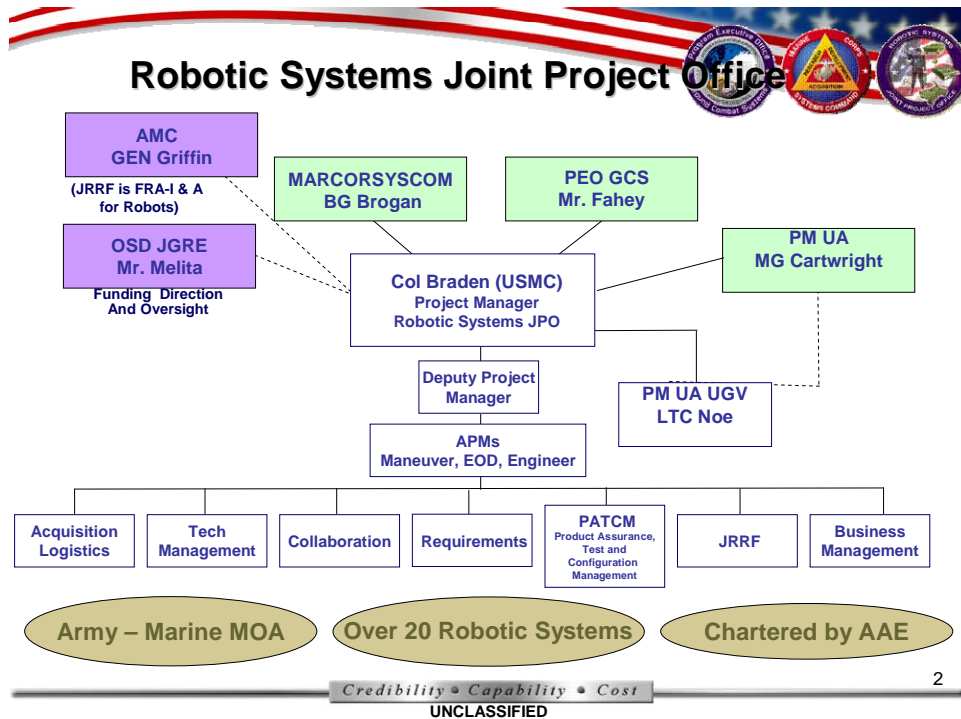
Just-in-Time

Just-in-Time (J-I-T) logistics support promised to better align suppliers with customers in providing the right item at the right time in the right place. J-I-T also promised to reduce inventories and spares to near zero. In order to achieve these objectives, quality would need to be more strictly monitored; deliveries would need to be timed better; suppliers would need real-time communication with the customers’ system to better predict when they needed to provide needed items. Production needed to be stable so suppliers could more easily meet demand (Kotler, 1997, pp. 214-215). The Robotics program moved toward J-I-T within six months as Massed-based supply could not keep up. The Project Manager and Suppliers gathered data on which robotic parts lasted or failed and how often. Often, the same supply approach (one new robot for one damaged or eliminated robot) was carried over from the Mass-based Approach. Rebuilding damaged robots grew from the J-I-T approach. Both the Project Manager and the Robotic Suppliers needed faster and more accurate information each day. Tracking robots and their status and location in the field became a pressing point. No in-house DoD information system existed to provide this ever-increasing communication need. The Project Manager partnered with Avantix and T&W Communications to create the Catalog Ordering Logistics Tracking System (COLTS) program. The program utilizes UID formats and capabilities to provide the Project Office, as well as the suppliers, with critical, daily information to meet the warfighters’ demands. The J-I-T approach provided more accurate robot fielding. Separate warfighter units only received robots that were truly mission required, rather than potentially hoarding robots as back ups. The logistic footprint was reduced as robots were repaired, rebuilt, or supplied as needed. The biggest challenge for the Robotic Project with J-I-T was caused by interruptions or breaks in the transportation chain—disruptions to the process of getting required robots to their place of need. This is a story we’re all familiar with in air travel: one weather delay for the airlines causes a major ripple effect to all airlines and passengers trying to get to the right place at the right time. Once again, the Robotics Program needed another improved logistics solution!

Sense and Respond

This Sense and Respond section will flow from a TAV brief given at TACOM in Winter 2007 by the current Robotics Program Manager (Varian, 2007). Sense and Respond logistics arose from the inability of J-I-T to completely satisfy the warfighter customer.



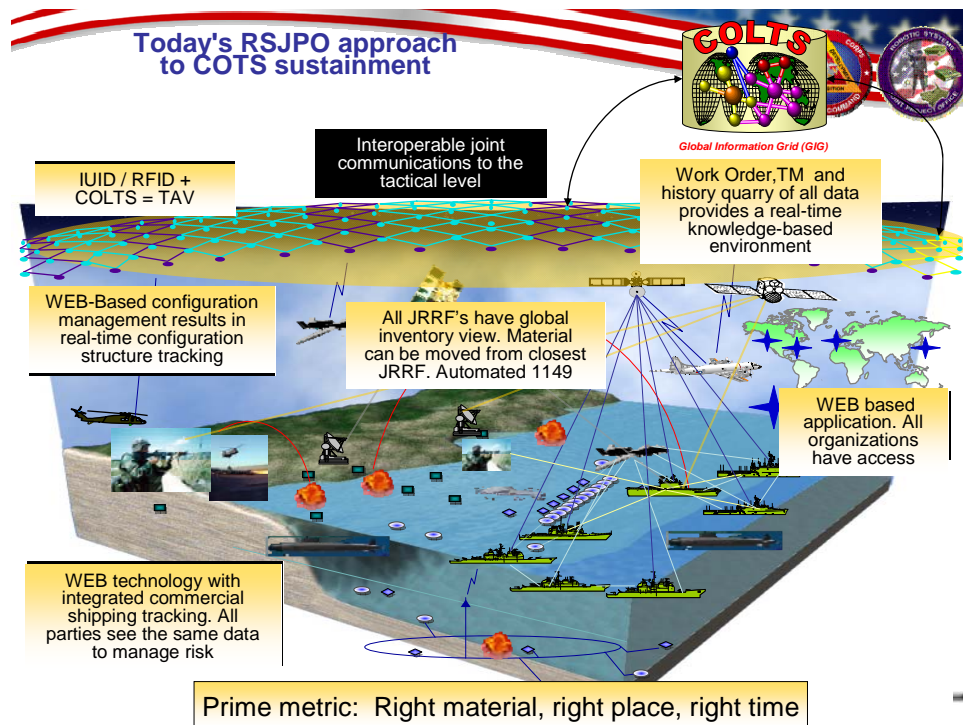


The relationship/JPO chart shows how the Robotics System Joint Program fits into the joint Army/Marine PEO. Joint Robot Repair Fielding (JRRF) is just one of the areas necessary for total Program success.

Joint Robot Repair Fielding (JRRF)

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- Web-Accessible Real-time Supply Chain Management with integrated IUID/RFID – *Key step toward sense and respond logistics*
 - Accountability - Parts Reordering - Reliability Tracking - Trouble Desk Info
- 2007 Robotic Measures of effectiveness – Robots save lives
 - 25,000 (+) IED Missions Conducted; 15,000 (+) found and cleared with ground robots; 150 Robots Destroyed

The above graphic relates the Robotic program and explains how the customers' needs continue to rapidly expand. The Program has instituted no more than four hours for any robotic replacement, anywhere, anytime.



The figure above relates how the COLTS software program specifically helps achieve the overall goals for Sense and Respond. It is the full implementation of COLTS that allows IUID/RFID to provide a Total Asset Visibility (TAV). To facilitate Sense and Respond, TAV and real-time information flow will be critical to sustainment of tomorrow. The following chart provides the driving tenets for all people involved with the Sense and Respond Robotics logistics support.

What Joint Robotics Repair Facility Is Doing



1. Define the **WAR-FIGHTER** : As the private or crew member in the heat of it.

2. Understand what is important to the **WAR-FIGHTER**:

Time
Equipment that works
Time

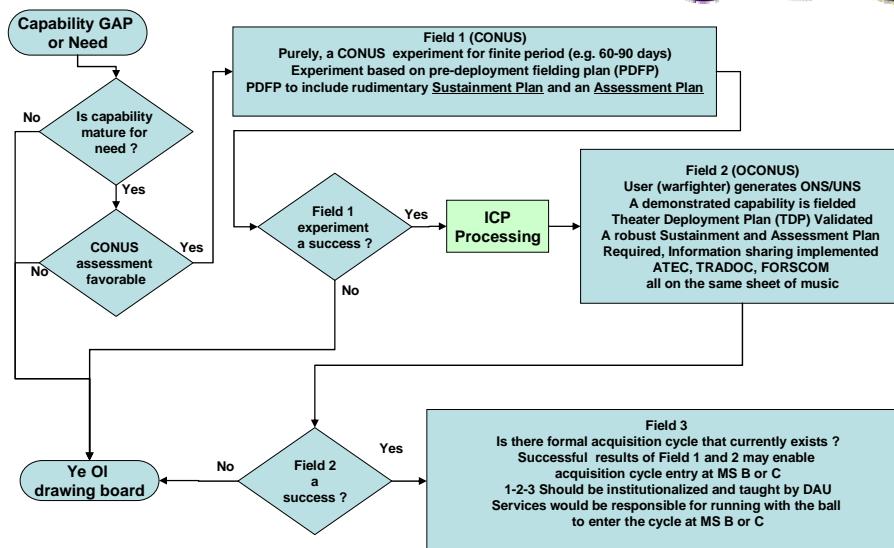
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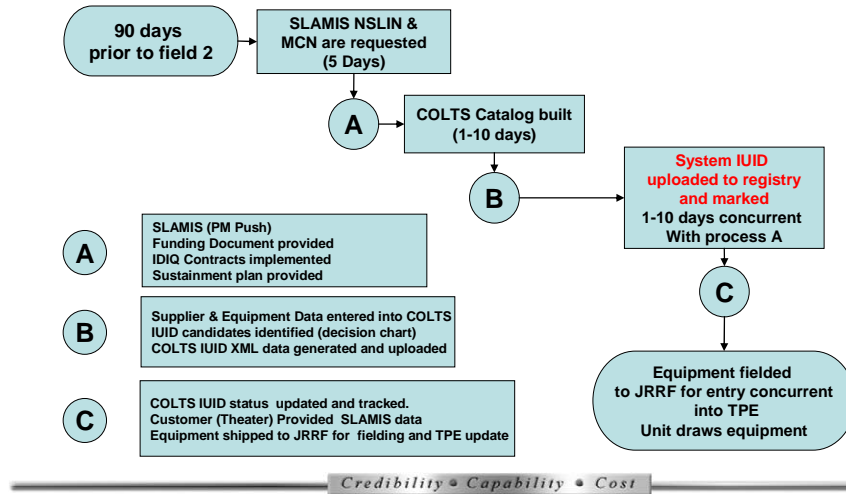
By defining processes, the following charts illustrate how the Robotics Program office achieves the above program goals.

1,2,3, Process Flow

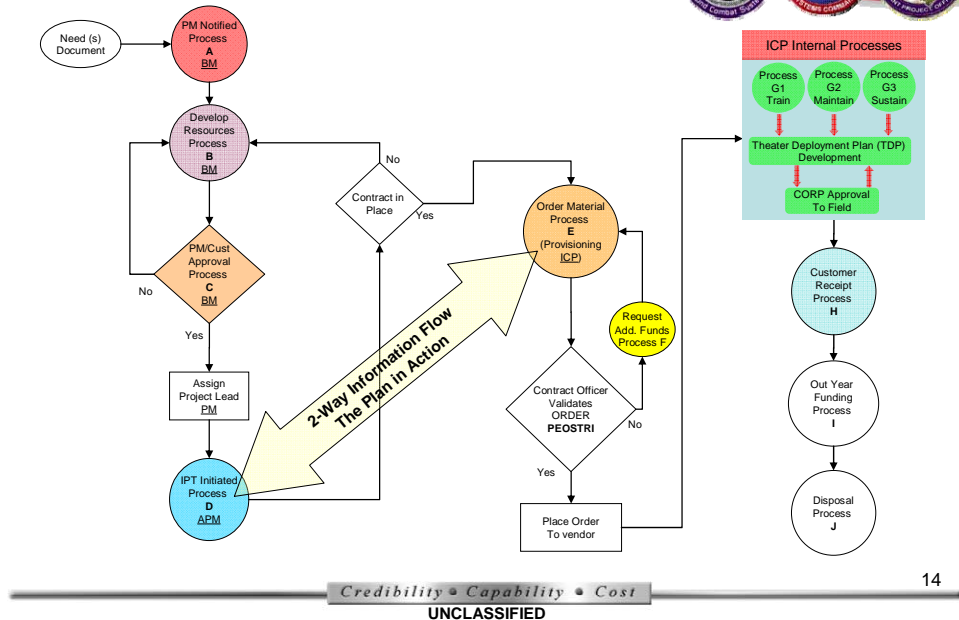


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Inventory Control Point (ICP) Pre-fielding process



The JRRF from 40,000 feet



The Robotics Program has completely embraced the IUID (Item-unique Identification) method and is continually discovering capability benefits from the warfighter all the way to the supplier and back again. The following presents just some of these capabilities.



COLTS (SCM) value to the RSJPO



- Integrated IUID capability. COLTS **USES** the data not just generates the data.
 - Vendors see data and have “buy in” with the IUID process
 - Ability to mark equipment “on site” virtual IUID NOT REQUIRED
- WEB Based centralized database: There is no requirement to “exchange” between databases. It is one stop for common tasks
 - Email notification on trigger events
 - Equipment modification notification generated and tied to equipment
 - All stake holders have access to the data and all see the same thing
 - Data exportable to Excel™ and data interchange is possible i.e. DAASC, ULLS, etc.
 - Reports generation automatically or data mine to customize
- Configuration management up to 15 levels
- Consumption tracking:
 - Real-time parts usage and consumption data.
 - Real-time maintenance data (TTR, Man-hours, WO processing, etc)
- 100% Property accountability:
 - All items are assets. As such nothing is “forgotten” items are always “issued” or “transferred” but never forgotten

Credibility • Capability • Cost

We could spend a great deal of time relating what the Robotics program has achieved by presenting numerous charts and graphs of how improvements have been made over the course of the program. But rather than take up valuable time and space, we thought just the bare facts presented below say it all...

Return on Investment



- A misplaced hyphen cost \$280K
- IUID enables Serialized Item Maintenance (SIM is a DoD Mandate)
 - IUID Enables real time configuration management
 - IUID Saves repair parts cost
 - Aug 06-Mar 07 \$29M for repair parts on 1 vendor
 - Aug 07-Mar 08 \$ 5M for repair parts on same vendor
- IUID eliminates human induced error
 - Average human has a typing error rate 5.47%. For every 100 key strokes 6 will be wrong

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Credibility • Capability • Cost
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Just the facts (1 Jan 07 – 1 Dec 07)



- COLTS Supply & Maintenance Data
 - 6073 Work orders completed
 - 26,375 maintenance actions
 - 64,419 Inventory events (Parts movement)
 - 78,467 Asset events (Robot actions/movement/repair, etc)
 - 4,816 Items shipped
 - 64 EOD/Engineer robots rebuilt from a destroyed condition. Cost savings approximately 3.2 million dollars.
- IUID integration saves the RSJPO time, money and ultimately lives on the battlefield.
 - No more “lost” data due to human error
 - Shorter repair cycle time as a result of IUID “scan in & scan out”
 - More fidelity of data tracked in COLTS due to IUID decision process.
 - Routine logistics processes streamlined with IUID and hand scanner.
 - Configuration management integrated with all SCM actions. SIM is a reality
- Operational rate on all NS-E/COTS supported platforms has been in excess of 98% since Apr 05.
- In excess of 3307 soldiers trained on robotics operation

Credibility • Capability • Cost

What more need we say about Sense and Respond logistics and the benefits it has provided to the warfighter?



Conclusion

Many presenters and numerous authors continue to assert the rate of change in our era will continue to geometrically expand. The Robotics Program since 2003 has rapidly traversed through Mass-based, Just-in-Time, and Sense and Respond logistics approaches, always trying to improve support to the warfighter. Each logistics approach provided benefits and challenges. Each moved into another logistics support scheme built on the previous lessons learned and added new features—with the final goal of reducing the logistics footprint, expending less dollars, and providing the best equipment (which works well when required) to the right warfighter at the right time. The next chart captures each logistic approach and explains why another approach was sought.



Even now, the Robotics Program's Sense and Respond approach is not the final logistics answer. New features (active and passive RFID among others) are being tested, data are being gathered and analyzed, and better processes are being implemented to continually improve the Program's logistics. Other DoD and industry programs should take note and seek out people from this Robotics Program in order to discover better ways to fully support the warfighter. The perfect logistics answer is still to come.

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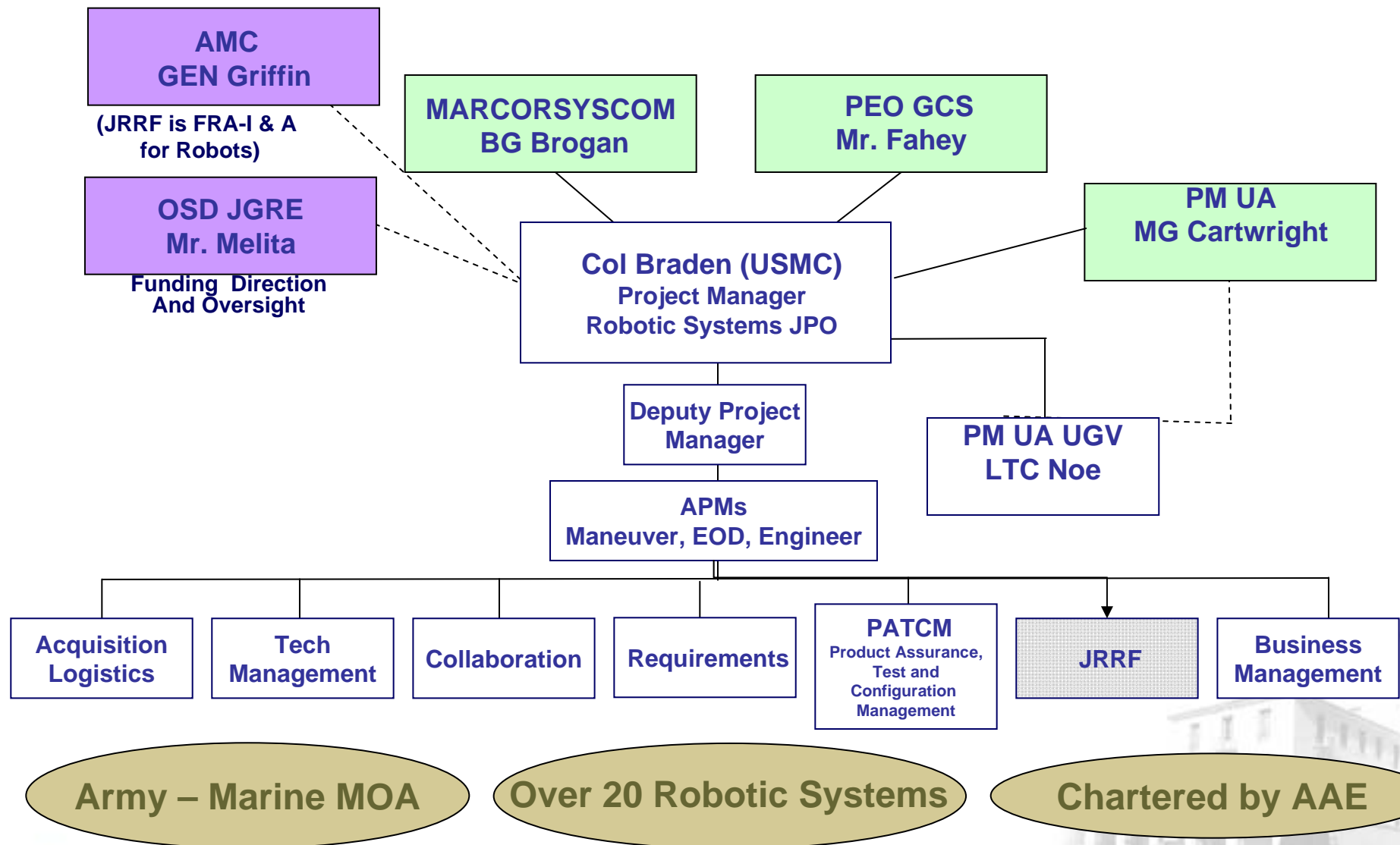
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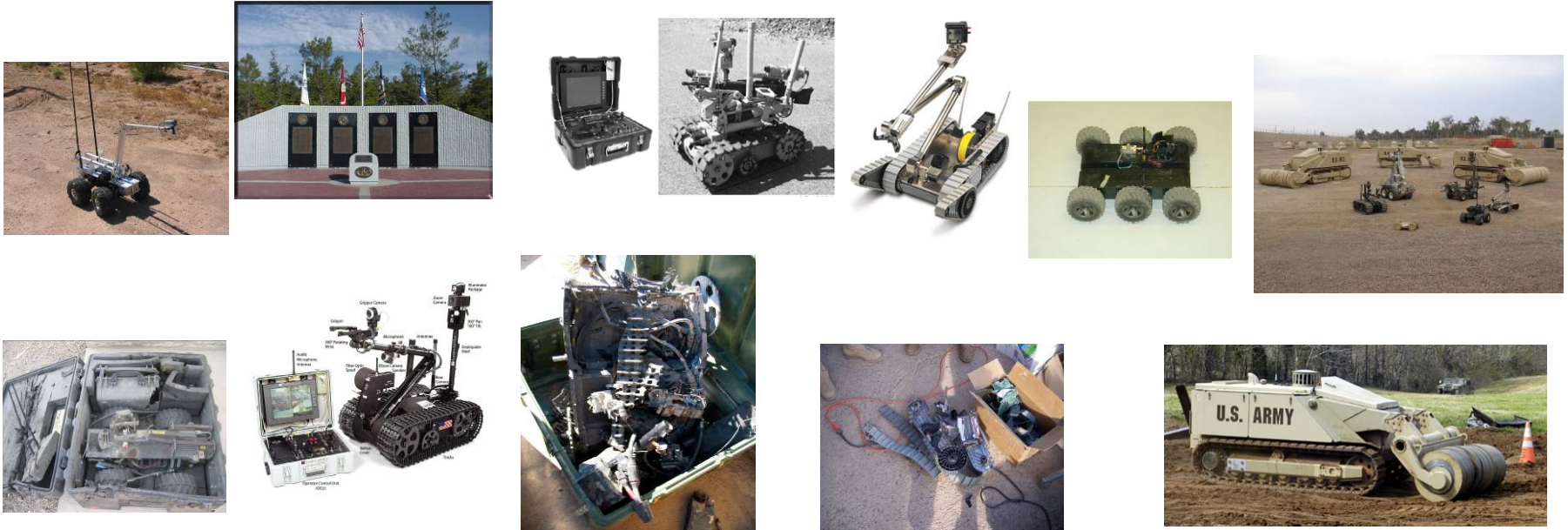
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- **26,000 Robot Maintenance Actions**
- **Find and Clear Rate is Approximately 61%**
- **SOP is to Employ a Ground Robot first**
- **Bomb Suits Only used When Terrain Prevents Robot Employment**

Training at 0900 hours



The robot “crew member” 6 hours later



JRRF-Iraq (Camp Victory)



Approaches to Logistics

Yesterday (Mass-Based)



- More is better
- Mountains of stuff measured in days of supply
- Uses massive inventory to hedge against uncertainty in demand and supply
- Mass begets mass and slows everything down

Prime Metric:
Days of Supply

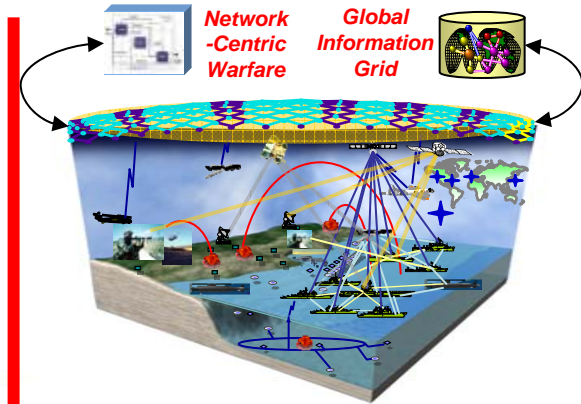
Today (Just-in-Time)



- On-time is better
- Inventory is reduced to a minimum and kept moving
- Uses precise demand prediction and static optimization to purge uncertainty
- Works great, except when it doesn't

Prime Metric:
Flow Time

Tomorrow (Sense and Respond)



- Adaptive is better
- Inventory is dynamically positioned throughout
- Uses transportation flexibility and robust IT to handle uncertainty
- Initial S&R models look promising
- Supports distributed, adaptive ops

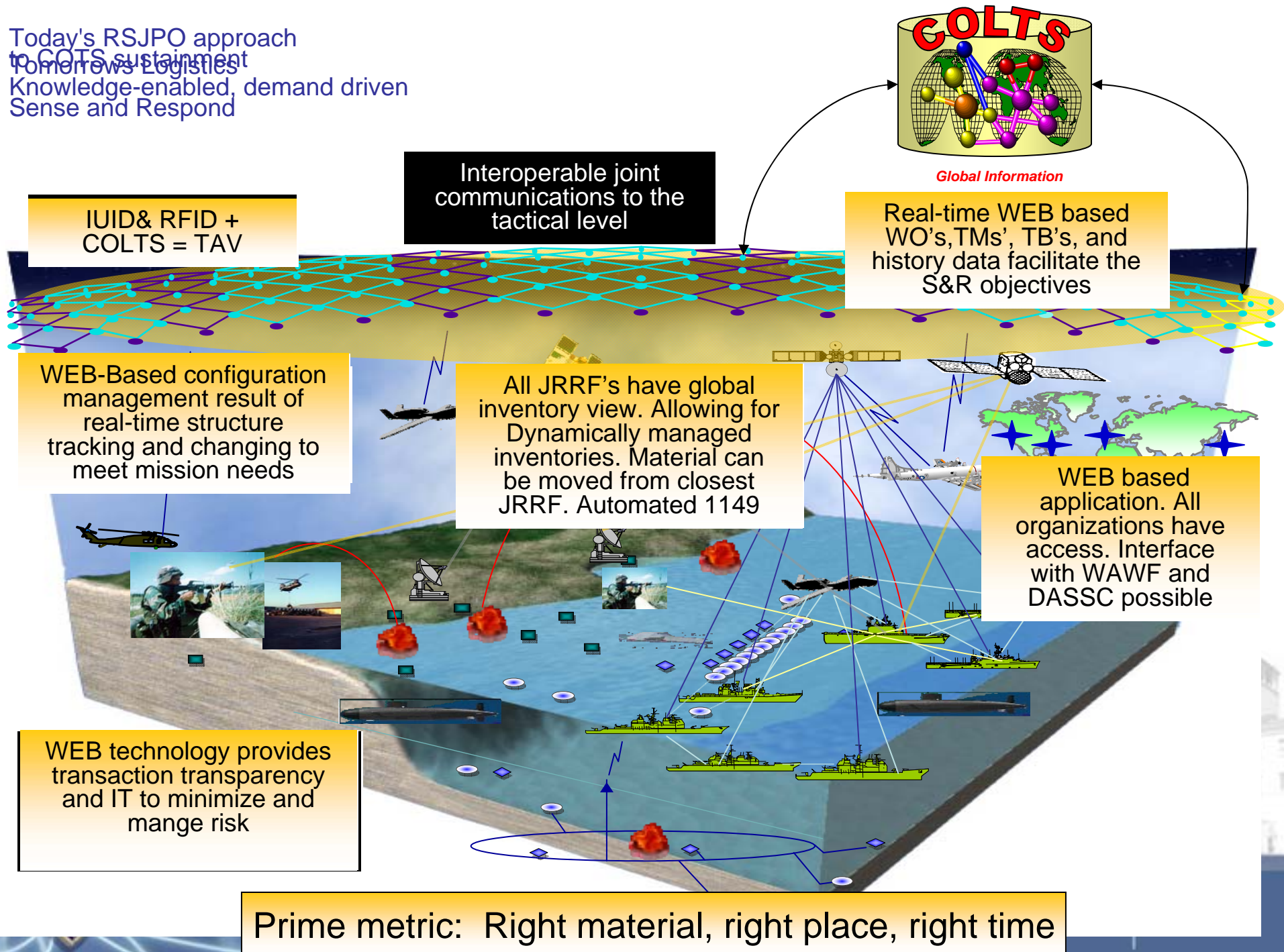
Prime Metric:
Speed/Quality of Effects



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Today's RSJPO approach
to COTS sustaiment
Tomorrows Logistics
Knowledge-enabled, demand driven
Sense and Respond



It's all about Performance Based Logistics (PBL)

The Current (DAU) Definition:

PBL primary tenets are documentation of WAR-FIGHTER performance requirements as measurable metrics.

A fraction of the measurable metrics:

Operational Availability, Operational Reliability, Cost per Unit Usage, Total life cycle cost, Logistics Footprint, Logistics Response Time,

YADA, YADA, YADA



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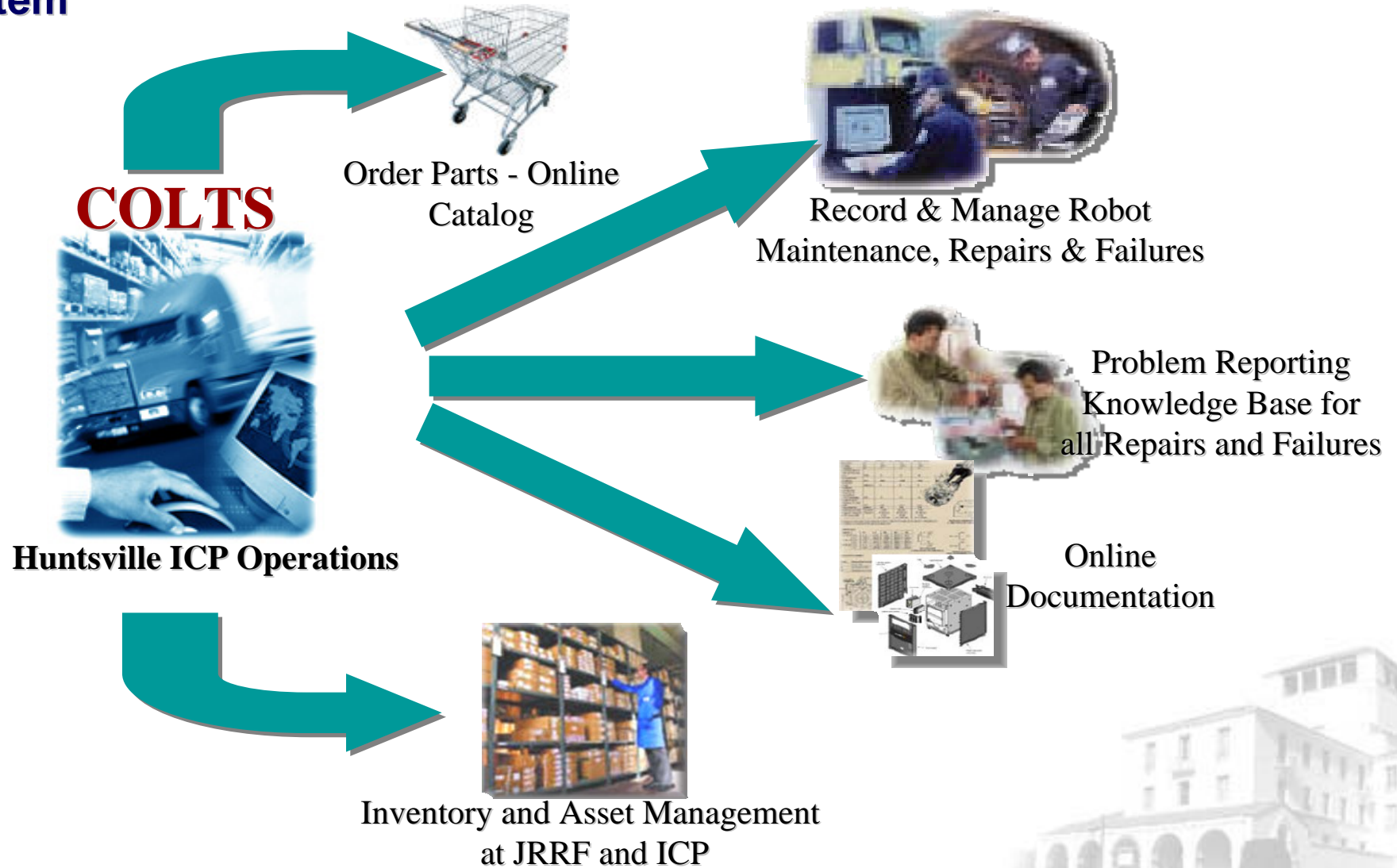
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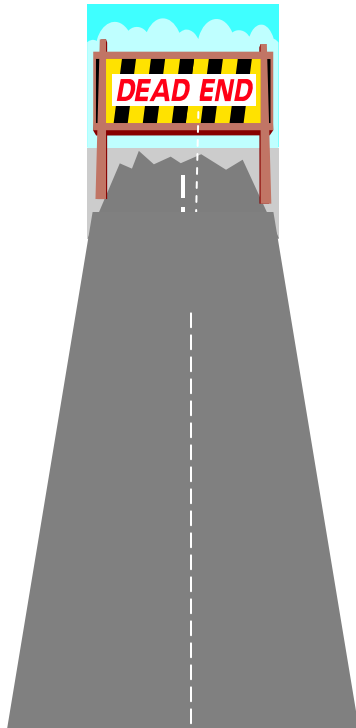


JRRF WEB Based-Supply Chain Management (SCM) System



Data (**IUID**) Don't just generate the data **USE** the data

COLTS Supply Chain Management



Implementing IUID without an integrated Supply Chain Management System is a Dead End.

But you will have met DoD requirements!

Your immediate gain will be

- ... No Savings
- ... No immediately usable data
- ... No incentive to comply
- ... **No vendor “buy in”**

The challenge is to find a way to implement IUID with your supply chain management system.

...RSJPO is using integrating IUID and our SCM



Making the Data work for you

Mandate and Goals

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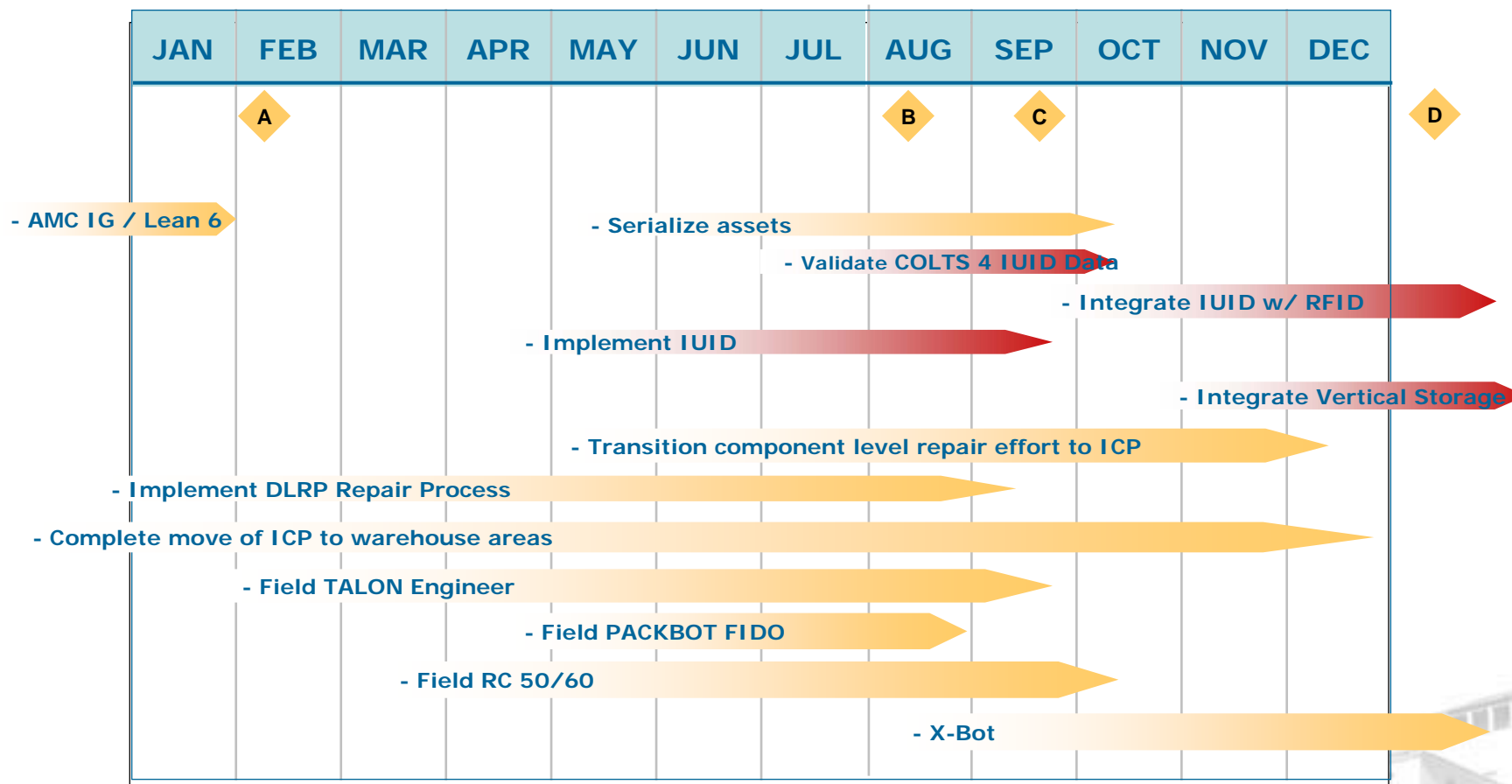
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Integrated Solution
IUID and RFID Technologies
With SCM



RSJPO Huntsville ICP 2007 Initiatives



Milestones

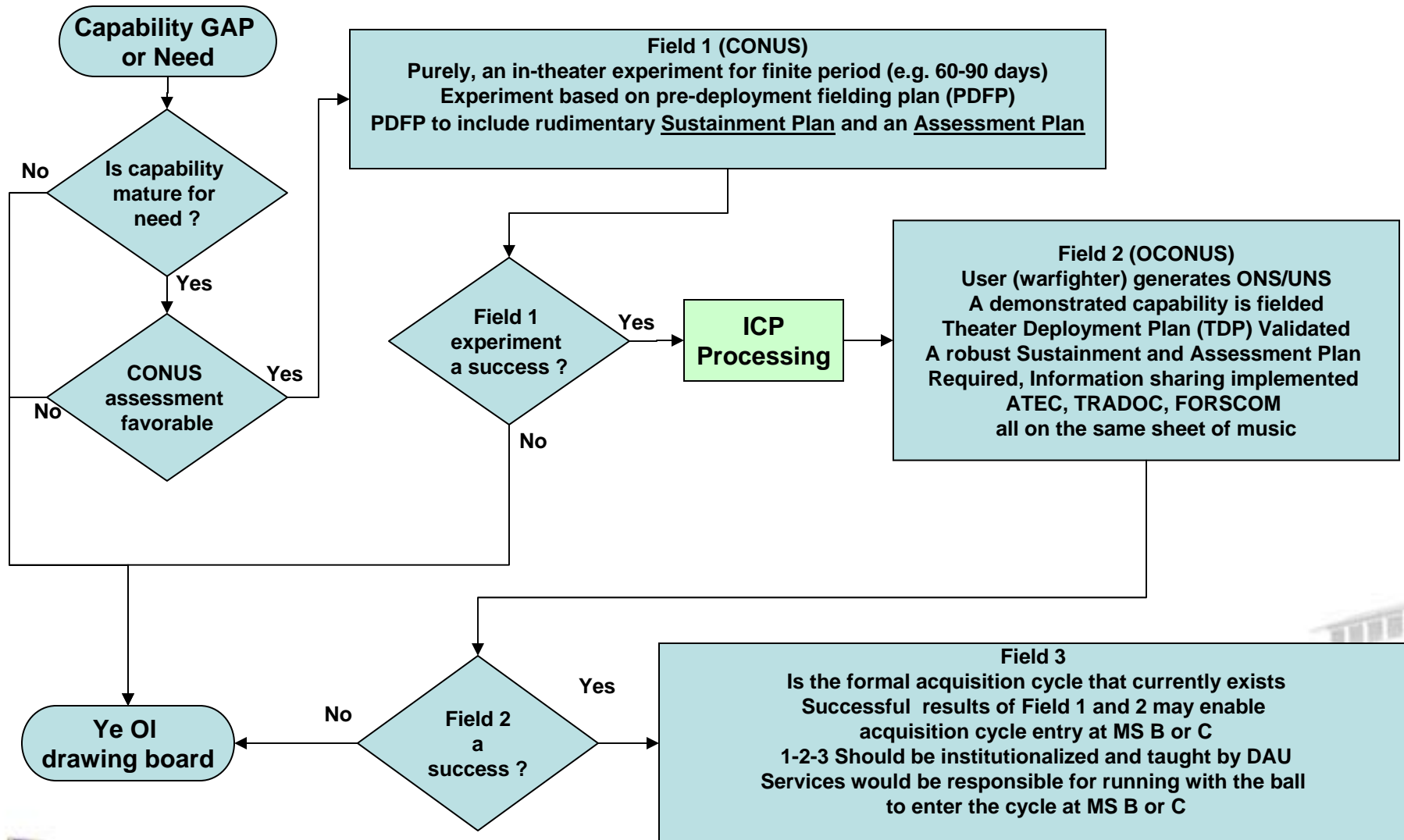
- A: Survive AMC IG & Lean 6
- B: Transition to COLTS 4.4
- C: Fully implement IUID
- D: Combine RFID w/IUID

Significant Actions

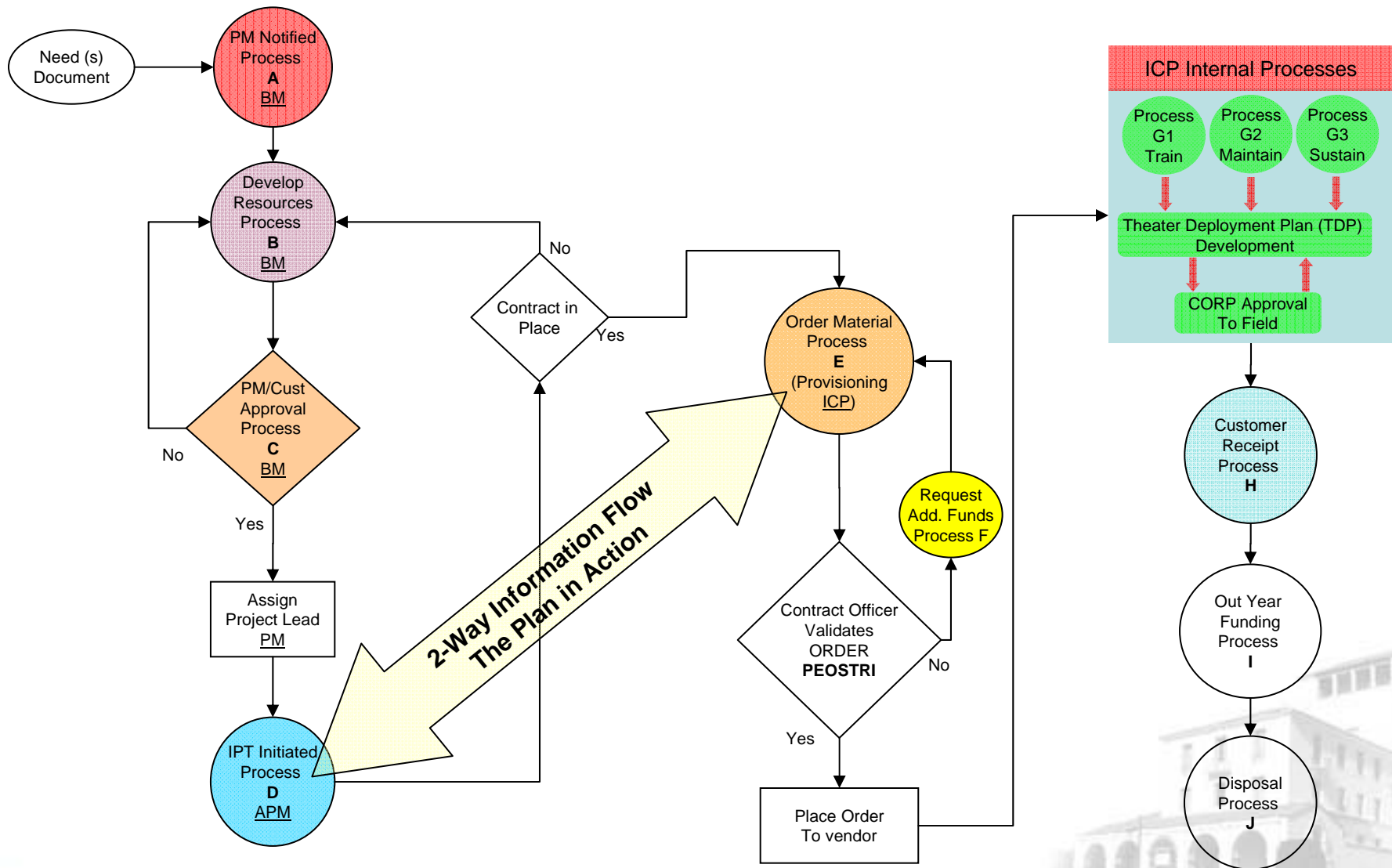
- 1: Transition to serialized accounting & SIM utilizing IUID as the common thread
- 2: Implement DLRP Process
- 3: Continue aggressive fielding and support
- 4: IUID and COLTS integration completed in less than 5 months



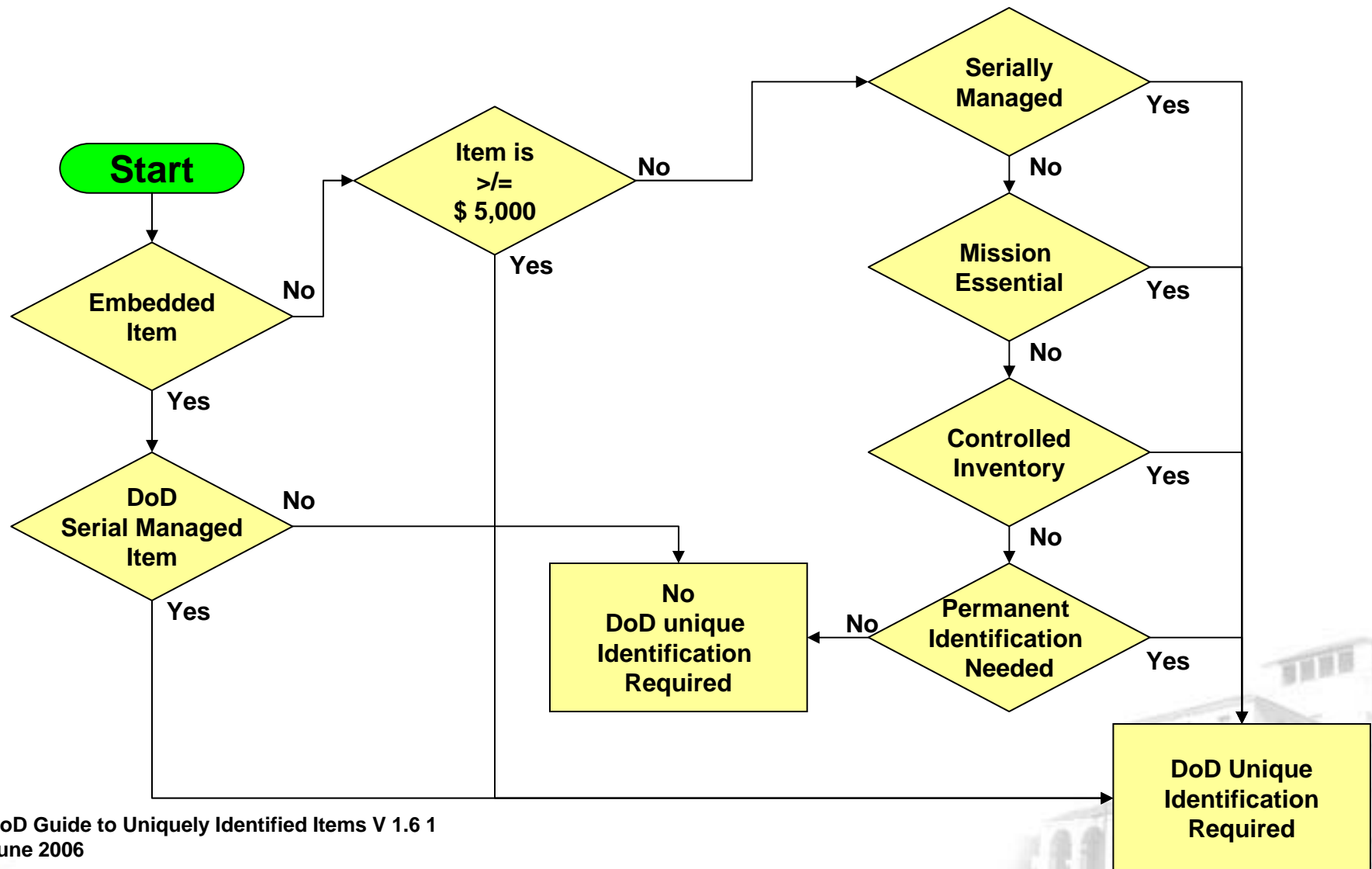
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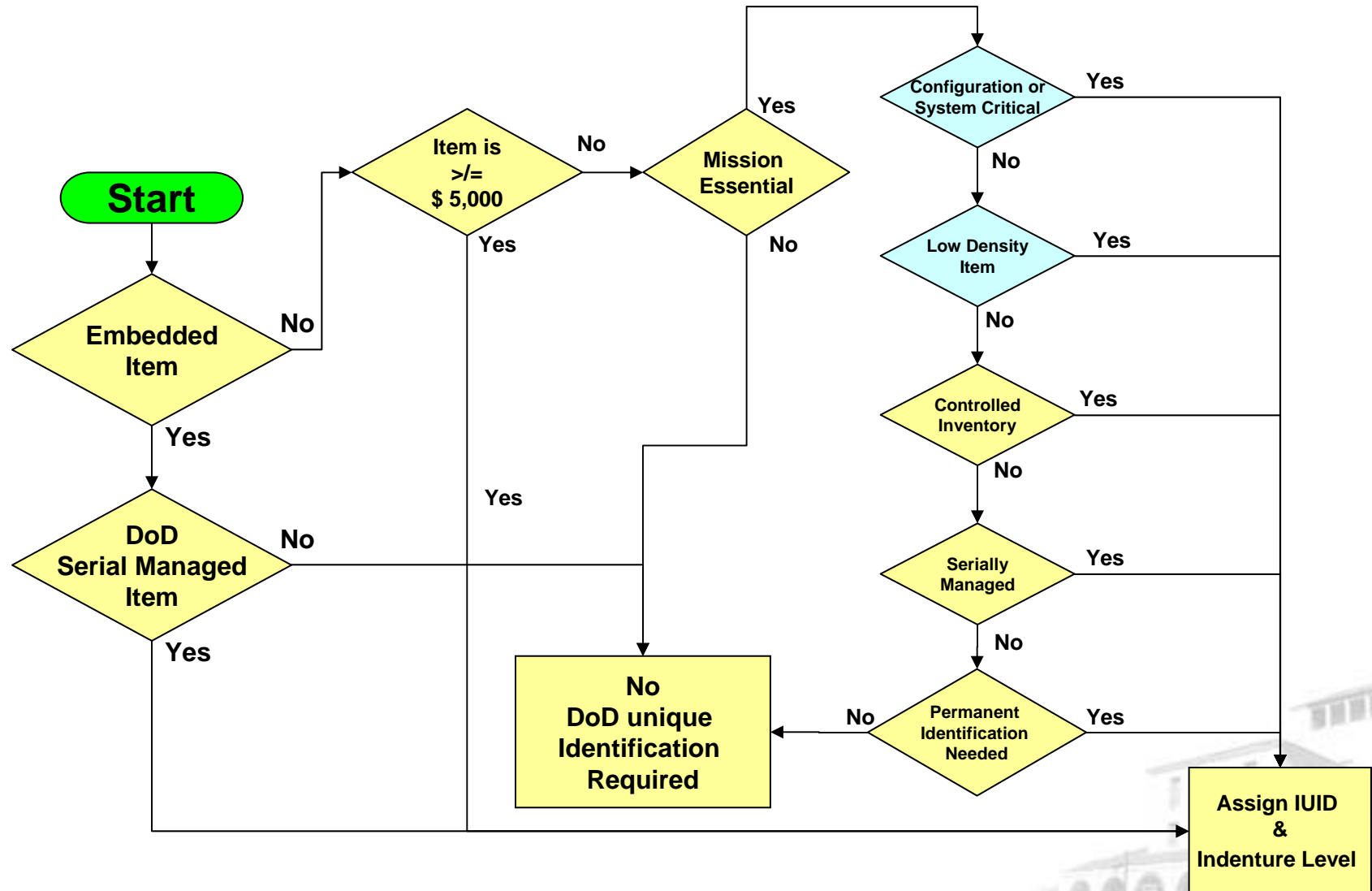
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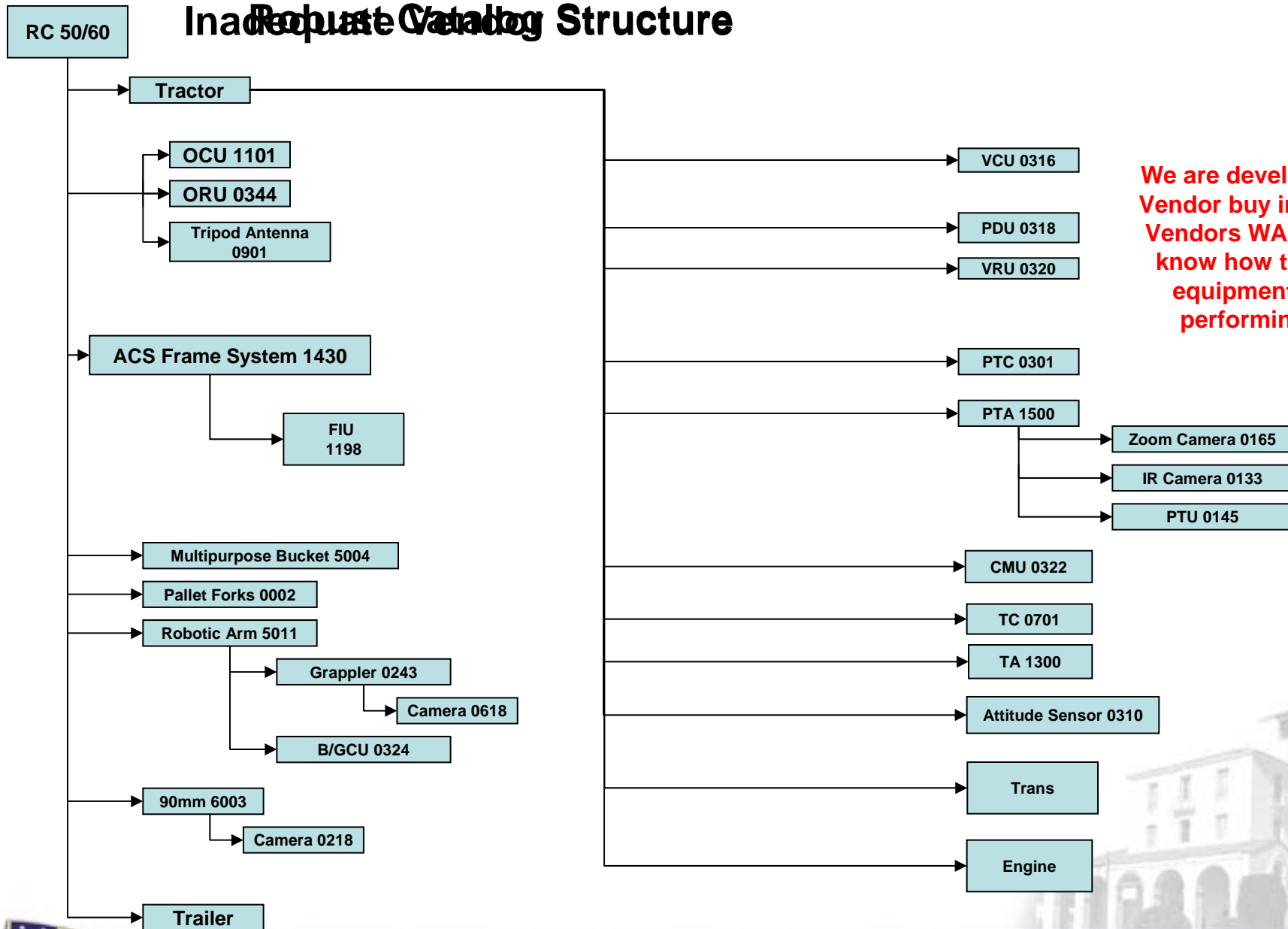
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RSJPO COLTS Catalog Build Decision Matrix



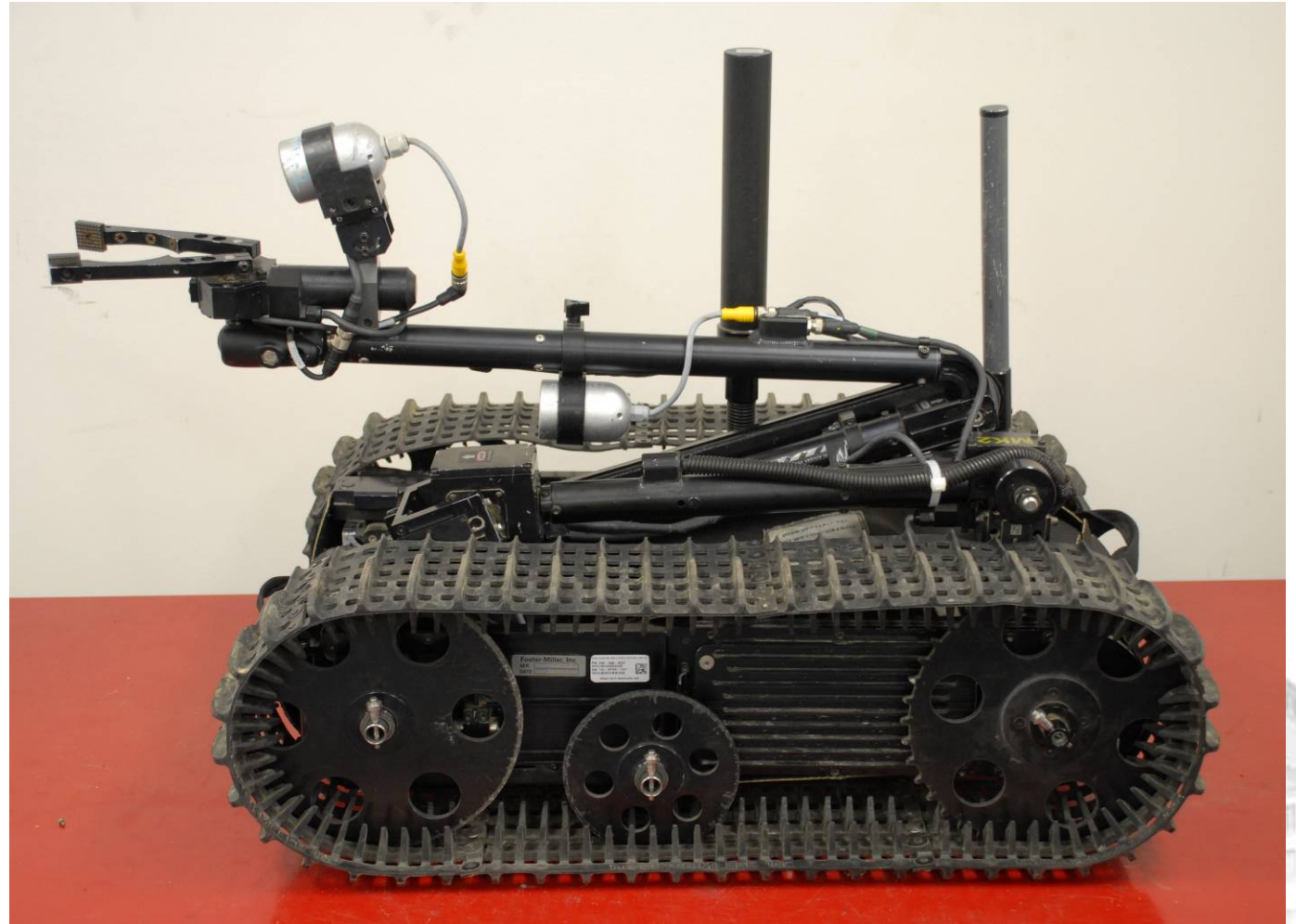
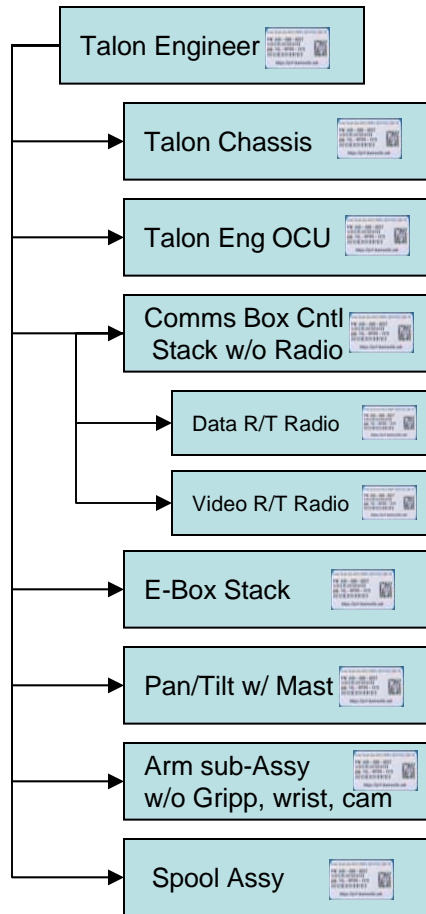
Inadequate Catalog Structure



We are developing Vendor buy in. The Vendors WANT to know how there equipment is performing.

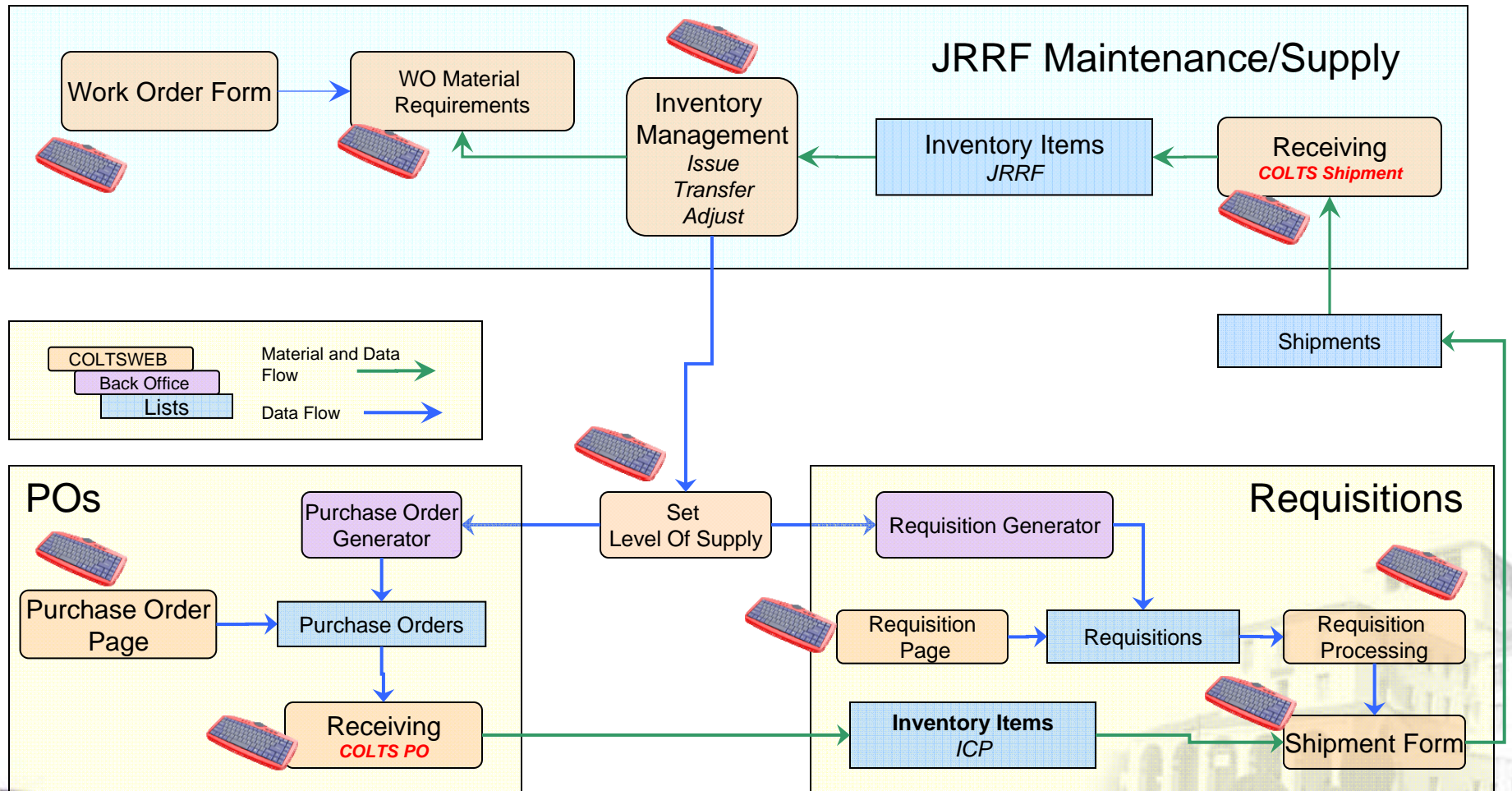


TALON 3B (Engineer and EOD Bot of Choice)



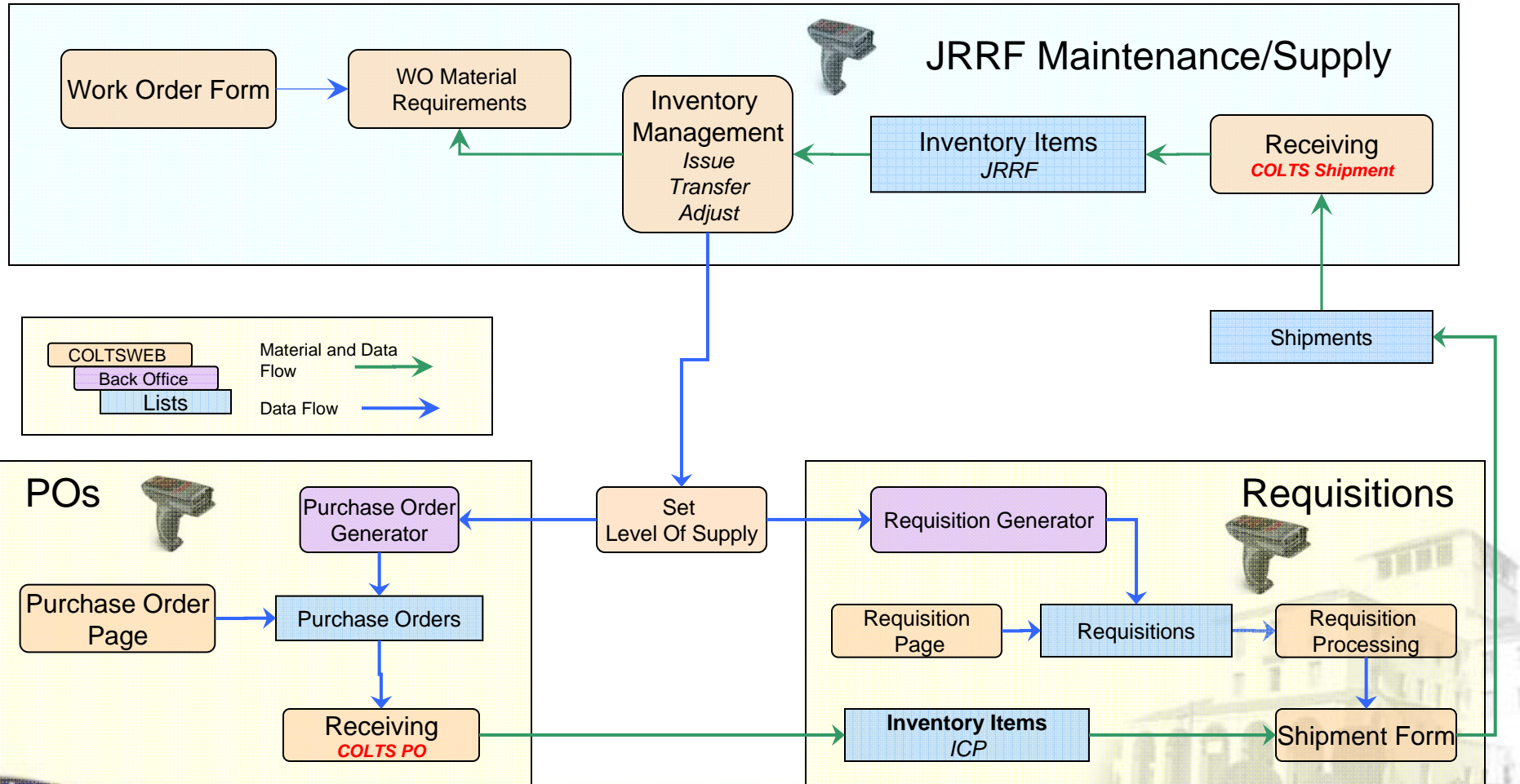
JRRF Prior to IUID integration

Each Keyboard represents opportunity for error



JRRF Prior to IUID integration

Each Scanner represent a process streamlined and error elimination.



IUID Pedigree Data Input

Enter Contact Information, Defaults and Output

IUID IUID & XML Generation

Export Registry File

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UID Manager

Contact Information

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Organization: RS JPO

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Defaults

Enterprise Id: 9999

Issuing Agency Cd: UN - DUNS

UID Type: UID2

UID Medium Code: 2D COMPLIANT

Output

Generate UIDs: ☒

Max Rows: 5 "0" If All Rows

Export Registry File: ☒

C:\Documents and Settings\Gerald

Print

Run

Close

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DEPOT	2ND EOD COMPANY	DSI-500-0278	PAN TILT MAST	168
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DEPOT	2ND EOD COMPANY	DSI-500-0369	FIRE SET	168
DEPOT	2ND EOD COMPANY	DSI-500-0398	FIBER OPTIC SPOOLER	168
DEPOT	2ND EOD COMPANY	DSI-500-0406	Arm Assembly	104
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Views: Active Assets

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Print


Suggested Low Cost Printer Suite



Universal Laser
Tesa Tape and
metal label plates
~ \$20,000 equipment
14 cents each



Printronix
4" X 2" labels
and RFID tags
~ \$ 5,000
equipment
15 cents each



Zebra
2" X 1"
Mylar labels
~ \$3,000 equipment
4 cents each

App: MTRS
Security: ■
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IUID Data Verification Process

Verify

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UID Manager

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Defaults

Enterprise Id: 9399
Issuing Agency Cd: UN - DUNS
UID Type: UID2
UID Medium Code: 2D COMPLIANT

Output

Generate UID: ☒
Max Rows: 1 "0" If All Rows
Export Registry File: ☐
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Print Run Verify Close

Display List Search New List Current Row: 1

Site Stock	Site Name	Part Number	Description
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Asset UID Grade

Part Number: DSI-500-0227 S/N: 1661
IUID: UN9999999999DSI-500-02271661
Description: MK2 ROBOT VEHICLE

Scan successful

Details | Label Placement Instructions | Additional Fields and Flags

Date Graded: 8/28/2007 11:51:04 AM
Device Type: COGNEX DM7500

Grade	Parameter Value
UID Grade:	DPM4/13/639/30T
Angle Distortion:	
Axial Non-Uniform:	A +0.009
Cell Contrast:	A +0.812
Cell Growth Horiz:	+19.547
Cell Growth Vertical:	+19.505
Cell Modulation:	A
Fixed Pattern Dmg:	A
Grid Non-Uniform:	A +0.084
Min Reflect:	A 81
Reference Decode:	A
Unused ECC:	A +1.000

Ready Clear All Update Close

Rows Visible: 1 of 598 rows

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IUID Marking Instructions

Step Six: Secure Label

The image displays a screenshot of the COLTS Part Form in Microsoft Internet Explorer, showing the 'MTRS Part' section. The form includes fields for Part Number (DSI-500-0227), Supplier Name (FOSTER-MILLER), Description (MK2 ROBOT VEHICLE), System (MK2 MOD0), Cognizance Code, UID Type, Catalog Price (131900), Hazardous Code, Serialized (checked), Exclude From Tracked Configurations, FSC, UID IAC, UM (each), Shelf Life Code, Sch B Exp Cd, NIIN, UID EID, Shelf Life Action Code, Inactive, and Mission Critical. A callout box highlights the 'IUID Label Placement' section, which includes a small image of a person scanning a robot vehicle and the instruction: 'Place the label on left side of R below top track'. A magnifying glass graphic is overlaid on the 'IUID Figure' field. To the right, a separate window shows a person using a handheld scanner to scan a robot vehicle, with the URL 'http://localhost/colts4i/Pics/Scanner Pic1.JPG' visible in the address bar.



IUID Portable On-Site Suite

Air Card for off site
Citrix connection to
SCM Server
\$60/month



Zebra PT403
Portable Rugged
Printer
2" x 1" Mylar
~ \$1000 each

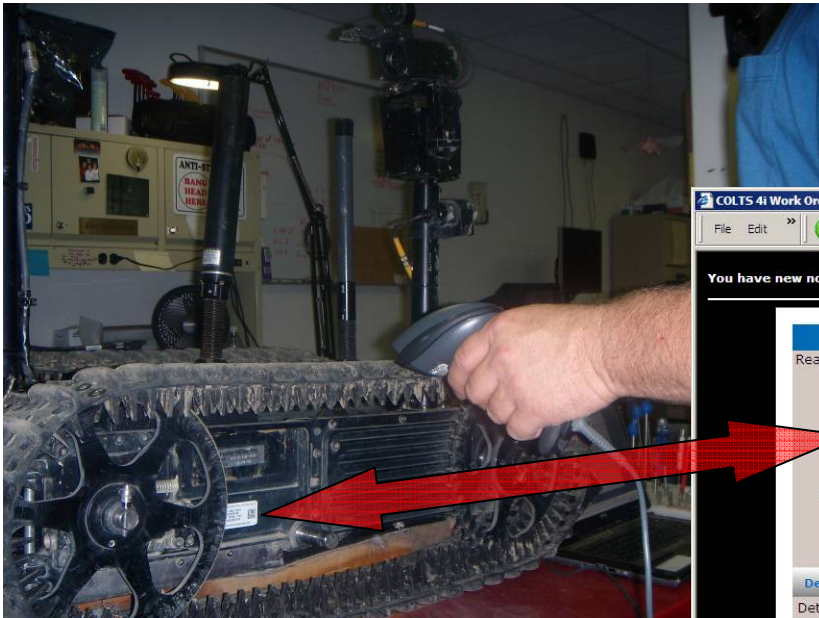
Cognex Portable
Verifier and
2D Reader
~ \$3,800

Note: this Verifier
is NMCI compatible
and does not need
special software.



IUID and Maintenance

Maintenance Management

A screenshot of a web-based application titled "COLTS 4i Work Order - Microsoft Internet Explorer". The interface shows a "MTPS Work Orders" form. A red arrow points from the "Item Under Repair" field in the form to the barcode scanner in the image above. The form contains the following information:
Reason for WO: PTM TILT INOP
Item Under Repair: Lookup
IUID: UN9999DSI-500-02271151
Part#: DSI-500-0227
Serial#: 1151
Description: MK2 ROBOT VEHICLE
Condition: A--RFI
Component Detail: [Look Up](#)
Site: DEP-FM
Work Order Type: C--Corrective
Status: Ready For Issue
Work Order #: 00003267
Serial Number: 00003304
Assigned To/Opened By You: Charles.Emery.Burns
Time To Repair: 0
Buttons: Save, Close
Footer: Done, Local intranet

One Scan opens a Work Order and transfers equipment for Asset and Property Book Management.



IUID and Supply & Shipping

Shipping, Receiving & Inventory Management

Scan to identify issued inventory, items shipped (DD1149). and Items received.



Scan to ID items shipped & Received (DD1149)



Scan to identify issued inventory

COLTS 4i Inventory - Microsoft Internet Explorer

You have new notifications

Maintenance Menu Logout Help My Profile

MTRS Inventory

Work Order Material Requirements

WO: 00003234 Item Under Repair: MK2 ROBOT VEHICLE

Action	Type	Qty	Description	Part Number	Serial Number	Req No	Date
X	Replacement	1	E BOX	DSI-500-0257	1469		8/7/2007 7:32:07 AM
X	Replacement	1	E BOX	DSI-500-0257	1478		8/7/2007 7:53:21 AM

Inventory Items

Item	Quantity Available	Alt	Description	Part Number	Supplier Name	Loc Code	Serial Number	Condition Code
Add a new item								
1	10		ARM ASSEMBLY	DSI-500-0406	FOSTER-MILLER	MAINT	(10)	
2	8		ARM ASSEMBLY	DSI-500-0406	FOSTER-MILLER	N/A	(8)	
3			ARM ASSEMBLY	DSI-500-0406	FOSTER-MILLER	SUPPLY	(12)	
End Of List								

Work Orders at Site

00003234

Select

Open Require Parts All

REP-ERT_TQ

Part Search

Description	Part Number	Serial Number	IUID	Supplier	System
	dsi-500-0406			Any	Any

List Configuration Options

Site: REP-JRRF_IRAQ

Class: DEPOT

Views

Show Serial Numbers ☐ Work Order View ☒ History View ☐

Search Options

Exact Match ☐ Show Alternates ☐

Close



Just the facts (1 Jan 07 – 31 Dec 07)

- COLTS Supply & Maintenance Data
 - 6073 Work orders completed
 - 26,375 maintenance actions
 - 64,419 Inventory events (Parts movement)
 - 78,467 Asset events (Robot actions/movement/repair, etc)
 - 4,816 Items shipped
 - 64 EOD/Engineer robots rebuilt from a destroyed condition. Cost savings approximately 3.2 million dollars.
- AIT, IUID/RFID integration saves the RSJPO time, money and ultimately lives on the battlefield.
 - No more “lost” data due to human error
 - Shorter repair cycle time as a result of IUID “scan in & scan out”
 - More fidelity of data tracked in COLTS due to IUID decision process.
 - Routine logistics processes streamlined with IUID and hand scanner.
 - Configuration management integrated with all SCM actions. SIM is a reality
- Operational rate on all NS-E/COTS supported platforms has been in excess of 98% since Apr 05.
- In excess of 3307 soldiers trained on robotics operation



Return on Investment

- A misplaced hyphen cost \$280K
- IUID enables Serialized Item Maintenance (SIM is a DoD Mandate)
 - IUID Enables real time configuration management
 - IUID Saves repair parts cost
 - Aug 06-Mar 07 \$29M for repair parts on 1 vendor
 - Aug 07-Mar 08 \$ 5M for repair parts on same vendor
- IUID eliminates human induced error
 - Average human has a typing error rate 5.47%. For every 100 key strokes 6 will be wrong

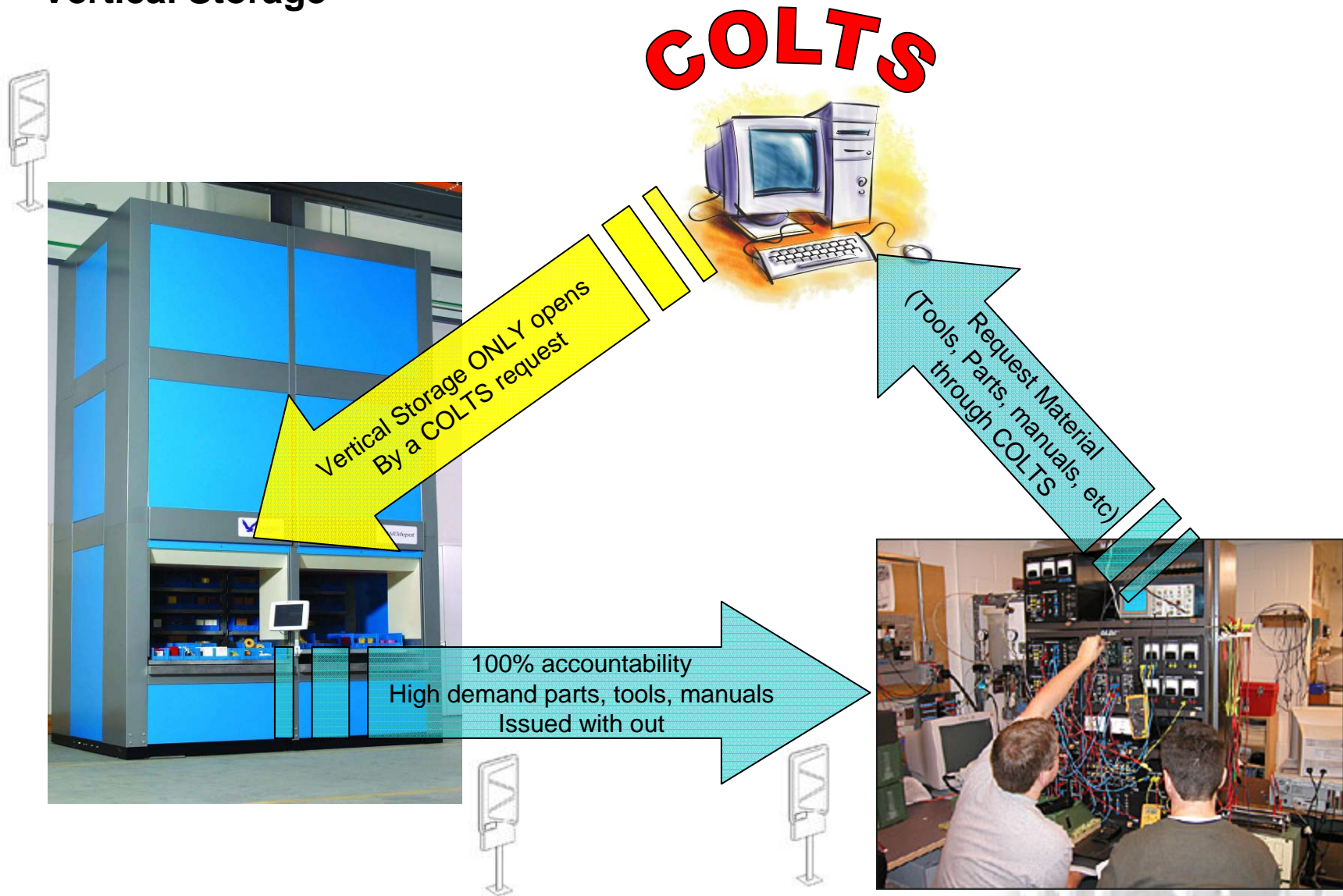


Future Operations; Where we are going

- Vertical storage (Self Issue) (Feb 2008)
 - 100% automated accountability COLTS opens the drawer not the user
 - High use items will be co-located with technicians
 - Tool room functions
- Integrated RFID (Apr 2008)
 - End items will receive active (aRFID) / (pRFID) passive permanent RFID
 - ICP will utilized aRFID / pRFID to streamline operations
- Integrate CBM+ (Conditioned Based Maintenance)
 - We want the robots to tell us (JRRF) when they need service
- Institutionalize the JRRF process for NS-E/COTS sustainment
 - Establish a Joint Service approach
 - Staff and train a Joint Reserve organization to be reactive to mobilization and NS-E/COTS support (Train, Maintain, Supply)
 - Stop inventing the wheel at every conflict. Institutionalize the innovative process



Vertical Storage



Questions?

